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Frank T. Brogan, Chancellor  
State University System of Florida

Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Chancellor Brogan:

As you are aware, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) is conducting a criminal investigation regarding the November 19 death of Robert Champion. Information developed during the course of that investigation, along with information obtained from other sources, has identified potential violations of criminal law relating to fraud and/or misconduct by employees of and/or persons associated with Florida A&M University (FAMU). Consequently, FDLE has initiated a separate criminal investigation to examine these matters.

In keeping with our existing agreement regarding the respective roles of the law enforcement investigators conducting the ongoing criminal investigation and the Inspectors General conducting the Board's administrative review, the Board's investigative team should not implement any component of their operational plan without first allowing FDLE an opportunity to review and respond with any concerns regarding potential impact on the criminal investigation. Further, FDLE should be contacted prior to any interviews being scheduled or conducted.

Sincerely,

Gerald M. Bailey  
Commissioner

Cc: Derry Harper, Inspector General, Board of Governors